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ANDREWS, C. M. *Guide to the materials for American history to 1783 in the Public Record Office of Great Britain*. Vol. I. *The State Papers*. (Washington: Carnegie Institution. 1912. Pp. xi, 346.)

After a considerable delay, occasioned by a reclassification by the government of the manuscript material on which the editor was working, the second volume of the Carnegie *Guide*, covering the State Papers, has appeared. To students of the old colonial system of England, both in its political and in its economic aspects, a way is now opened to the effective use of the most important original material of the period. Professor Andrews offers his work merely as a guide, not as a calendar, but he has been generous in editorial description and appreciation (this or that set of papers is "important," "valuable," "interesting," from some point of view which he specifies); he has provided the volume with an index including many subject entries under economic heads; and he has written introductions which, for the first time, describe clearly the English administrative organization, and enable the student to choose his path with some confidence.

An entry on page 125 illustrates both the formalism still prevailing in the care of the English public records, and the service of the editor in guiding students past it. Three items are listed there which are noted as not being open to public inspection; but the editor gives an account of each, and advises the investigator who desires to examine them in detail to consult duplicates listed among the *Additional Manuscripts* of the British Museum.

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AUFMWASSER, H. *Sozialstatistische Studien zur Geschichte von Wesel im 14. und 15. Jahrhundert*. (Münster: Universitäts-Buchh. F. Coppenrath. 1912. Pp. vii, 81. 1.50 m.)

d'AVENEL, G. *Histoire économique de la propriété, des salaires, des denrées et de tous les prix en général, depuis l'an 1200 jusqu'à l'an 1800*. Vol. VI. *L'évolution des dépenses privées*. (Paris: E. Leroux. 1913. Pp. 700, illus. 20 fr.)

BARKER, J. E. *Modern Germany. Her political and economic problems, her foreign and domestic policy, her ambitions, and the causes of her successes and of her failures*. Fourth edition. (London: Smith Elder & Co. 1912. Pp. viii, 764. 10s. 6d.)

Essentially a new book.

BEARD, C. A. *The economic history of the United States*. Vol. I. *The economic interpretation of the Constitution*. (New York: Macmillan. 1913.)

BIROT, J. *Statistique annuelle de géographie humaine comparée*. (Paris: Hachette. 1912. Pp. 32.)

BOISSONNADE, P. *Histoire des premiers essais de relations économiques directes entre la France et l'état prussien pendant le règne de*